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Declaration and Power of Attorney United States Patent Application

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (*if only one name is listed below*) or an original, first and joint inventor (*if plural names are listed below*) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **Nucleotide Sequences Coding for the sigD Gene**

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I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

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100 43 331.6	Germany	02/September/2000	yes

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